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Skating Carnival Planned For Jan. 14 & 15

The Wilmington Recreation Commission and the Wilmington Skating Club have again combined their forces to make the second annual skating carnival, to be held at the Skating Club on January 14 and 15, a huge success. Larry Cushing, director of the Commission and James Tighe, president of the Skating Club, have been organizing committees to head the program which will start at 3 p.m. on each of the days mentioned.

The races will be divided into age groups and will consist of the following: Pee-Wee for those from cradle to 7 years; midget, for 8-10 years; juvenile, 11-12-13 years; junior, 14-15 years; intermediate, 16 to 19 years; and adult races for married women, and old timers race for men over 25 years of age.

Other plans include a hockey game between the high school team and members of the faculty, general skating for all, and exhibitions. Refreshments will be available at all facilities will be made available to residents of the town for this occasion.

Heading the committees will be Dan McKaba, rink preparation; Leo O'Connell, starter; Buckley Backman, race marshal; Bert Sell, judges; Joseph Gilligan, aides.

Participants are reminded that when they are claimed as division champion they automatically move up a class, therefore, each year will be open to new champions and offer a greater incentive to participants.

C.D.A. Whist

The C.D.A. whist party, in aid of the St. Thomas building fund will be held on Friday evening, January 13 at Villanova Hall at 8 p.m. Co-chairmen of this event are: May Quandt and Jean Amaro. The public is cordially invited to attend.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTING FUND SUCCESSFUL

Chairman Elizabeth M. Griffin, of the Christmas Lighting Fund, along with Geo. Cushing, Robert Michaelson, Adrienne Durkee, Anthony Joanides and Arthur Kelly, members of the committee, publicly thanked the people of Wilmington who subscribed to the fund this year. "It was their generous contributions," she stated, "that made lighting the town for Christmas possible."

NOVELTY PARTY NEXT TUESDAY

On Tuesday evening, Jan. 10 at 8:30 there will be a novelty card party at St. Dorothy's parish hall, for the benefit of the building fund. It is planned to have this a most enjoyable evening and the public is invited. Refreshments will be served. Mrs. William Tattersall heads the Committee.

B-B SHOT COWBOYS

At 1:25 p.m. on Friday, December 30, police received a report that boys were shooting B-B guns at automobiles. Sergeant Imbimbo went to the scene from which the complaint came and found two thirteen year old boys whose names have been withheld, poised on the Burlington Ave. bridge gully pumping the B-B shots into the passing vehicles. Sergeant Imbimbo relieved the boys, who were merely visiting from Winchester, of their guns and sent them on their way.

BESSIE COHEN LEAVES FOR SO. AMERICA

Bessie Cohen, of the Wilmington Grain and Building Materials Co., will sail from New York to South America via the Panama Canal on a three weeks pleasure cruise some time after the first of the New Year. She will be away for three weeks and her many friends wish her a pleasant journey.

SKATING CHAMP'S

Mr. and Mrs. Myer Weinberg, their son Michael, daughter Nancy and Jean Ashworth attended the 10th Annual Glen Falls Skating Carnival Skating Races in New York.

Jean won the Girls Intermediate Glen Falls Championship and received a trophy. Nancy Weinberg won a medal for third place in the Pee Wee Class.

They will travel to Conn. for more races over the weekend.

WHIST PARTY FRIDAY

On Friday evening Jan. 6 a whist party and penny sale will be sponsored by Mrs. Louis Nolan in St. Dorothy's Hall, Main St.

Mrs. Nolan is being assisted by Mrs. Laurence Cushing, Mrs. Richard Lee, Mrs. Edward Forrest, Mrs. William Wagstaff and Miss Patricia Cushing.

Other events planned for the New Year are whist parties on the 13-20-27 of January. While in Feb. the second annual show will take place the 13th and 14th under the supervision of Al Mitchell well known entertainer and showman.

Many other plans are made and will be announced each month; a busy year is ahead of the various committees; all benefits are for the St. Dorothy's Church Building Fund.

MINOR ACCIDENT

At 10:10 on December 30, John DeLorey of 87 High street, Woburn, while driving on Route 38 made a left turn onto Route 62 and struck a vehicle operated by Troy R. Westmeyer of Lexington street, Burlington. No personal injuries were reported, but Westmeyer's car was towed to Gildart's. Officers Dolan and Harvey investigated the accident.

BILL and MEL'S MOVE TO NEW LOCATION

Bill Tanner and Melvin Southmayd, two young men, former operators of the Shell Service Station at Main and Lowell streets, have re-located at 287 Main street and Shawsheen avenue, and will operate the Texaco Station, formerly known as Rusty's.

Both men are well-known locally for their excellent service and know-how in the general automobile service field and guarantee the same A-1 service in the future as has been their policy in the past.

Bill and Mel will continue to operate the "U-Haul Rental Trailer Service and wish it to be known they are affiliated with the AAA.

LIGHT BULB BROKEN AGAIN

On December 30, at 2:05 p.m., Dr. Harry Melselman of Lowell street, filed a complaint that someone had again broken the light bulb which illuminates the sign in front of his establishment. Could be possible someone doesn't like dentists?

SON BROUGHT HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cunningham of 14 Beacon Street were very happy to bring their son, Joseph Jr., home before Christmas. The baby, born Dec. 5 at the New England Sanatorium, only weighed 4 lbs., 14 oz. and was not released until Dec. 22. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Cunningham of 10 Baker St., and Supt. of Streets and Mrs. James White of 16 Beacon Street. The couple has one other daughter, Joanne.

DAVID ELFMAN'S HOME ENTERED

On December 31, at 12:30 p.m. a break was reported at the home of David Elfman of Middlesex avenue, entry was gained through the bulkhead which had been forced open. Nothing was reported missing. Officers Dolan and Ellsworth investigated the incident.

MRS. W. MANNING ILL

Mrs. William Manning of Morse avenue, is being confined to her home by illness. Friends and relatives are hoping to see her up and about again very soon.

TAKEN TO HOSPITAL

Theodore Thomas Sr., of West St., was taken to the Winchester Hospital on Tuesday morning by the fire dept. ambulance. Friends and relatives are wishing Mr. Thomas a speedy return to good health.

TWO-AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT

Two automobiles collided near 904 Main street, (somewhere in the vicinity of J. W. Greer Co.) at 10:15 p.m. on Sunday, January 1. The first of the vehicles was operated by Angelo C. Kiklis of Woburn, the second was operated by Roy C. Gunter, also of Woburn, the left sides of both vehicles were damaged. Officers Kelley and Ellsworth investigated the accident.

BREAK AND ENTRY

A break and entry was reported on January 2, at 2:30 p.m. A house owned by Mike Barry on Fitz Terrace was entered when the lock was broken off the back door. Several windows were broken and a can of red paint had been spilled over the back steps. Officer Ellsworth investigated.

MOVING TO CALIFORNIA

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Amnott of Chandler Rd. and their daughter, Linda, Mary Jane and Jean who have been living in Wilmington for the past three years will leave on or about January 20, to make a new home in San Diego.

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NOMINATION PAPERS READY

Mrs. Gilligan has announced that nomination papers are now ready to be filled out by the candidates for the March election.

CALLING ALL SPORTSMEN

The town clerk has announced that the sportsmen's licenses are now available at the town hall.

SPAGHETTI SUPPER JAN. 23

Plans for the spaghetti supper to be held by the Wildwood Club for the benefit of the dental clinic are in full swing. This supper will be served on January 23 at the Wildwood School, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

HOLY NAME COMMUNION SUNDAY

The Holy Name Society will receive Communion at the 8:15 mass on Sunday, Jan. 8.

"PUT IT BACK"

Last week an incident occurred which rather amused the caretakers at the Wildwood Cemetery. During the past years, many flowers, wreaths, etc. have been known to leave the cemetery under mysterious circumstances, this causing much distress to the families of the rightful owners. On Friday one of the members of the cemetery dept. noticed an unusually handsome wreath which had been tied to a head stone and wondered what made it look so full, upon turning it over for closer inspection, our man was confronted with a note written in red crayon, which read "put me back, you're being watched."

MEETING POSTPONED

The meeting of the East Wilmington Improvement Association, which would normally be held on the first Tuesday of the month has been postponed to Tuesday, Jan. 10 this month only. The meeting will be held at 8:00 P.M. at the association hall on Lowell St. This is expected to be a very important meeting and all members are urged to make a sincere effort to attend.

HATHAWAY ACRES MEETING

The annual meeting of the Hathaway Acres Association to elect officers for the coming year will be held on Jan. 10. The meeting will be held at the home of Dick Miller of 21 Hathaway Road. All members are requested to make a sincere effort to attend.

HOLD OPEN HOUSE

Mr. and Mrs. Edward T. Driscoll of Chase Rd. North Wilmington, held Open House on Christmas Eve. About 50 people, friends and neighbors of the couple, dropped in to help celebrate this pleasant tradition.

FALLS ON ICE

Mr. and Mrs. William DeWolfe, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Pilling, and Mr. Oscar Ridley, took advantage of the nice weather on the holiday, Jan. 2, and went skating at Foster's Pond. The expedition was marred by Mrs. DeWolfe falling and cutting her head on the ice. She was taken to Dr. Hosmer's office for treatment.

Mrs. DeWolfe hopes she is sufficiently recovered to go skating next weekend.

HOLY NAME MEETING JAN. 10

The Holy Name Meeting will be held Tuesday, Jan. 10, at Villanova Hall. Plans will be discussed for the Father and Son Sports Night, Jan. 20. There will also be a discussion of current events.

The guest speaker of the evening will be Robert Walsh, professor at the Mass. College of Pharmacy, whose subject will be "Magic Of Modern Medicine."

ANNUAL FREE PILOTING COURSE

The Annual Piloting Course given by the Broad Sound Squadron of the U.S. Power Squadron will start Jan. 11, at 7:30 P.M. with registration at the Wilmington High School, Wilmington. All persons who States are eligible to take this free course in small boat handling.

Subjects to be taught in the 10 lecture course are, equipment and requirements; rules of the nautical road; seamanship; safety afloat; compass; aids to navigation; charts and piloting.

The course is offered free to all and ownership of a boat is not required. By attending squadron classes one can acquire the know-how and skills which will greatly increase safety in boating as well as the pleasure and satisfaction to be derived from it. The course this year will be given by Erwin Hanks.

MRS. EDWARD MOORE INJURED

Mrs. Edward Moore of Morse Ave., severely injured her right leg when she encountered a fall near her front door while carrying a box of groceries from her automobile. Mrs. Moore received her injury on Friday evening and it is hoped that she will not be hampered by it for too long.

MRS. ESTHER SARGENT ILL

Mrs. Esther Sargent of Morse Ave., is being confined to her home by pneumonia for the second time in three months. This time her illness made it necessary for her to spend Christmas in bed. It is hoped that she will be able to return to work in the near future.

RETURN FROM MICHIGAN

Mrs. Claude Melwig and her two sons, of Salem St., have returned from Detroit, Michigan where they spent the Christmas holidays in order to be with Mr. Helwig. Mr. Helwig's position as an airline pilot necessitated that he spend the holidays there.

IT'S A DAUGHTER

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas C. Saunders of Parker Street announce the birth of their first child, a daughter, Debbie Lee, at the Winchester Hospital on Dec. 18. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Wicks of Parker Street, and Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Saunders of Albany, New York.

MOTHER'S CLUB MEETS

The Whitefield Mothers' Club held their Christmas Party Dec. 19 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Hanks on Carolyn Road, North Wilmington. Approximately 40 mothers attended the party at which entertainment and refreshments were enjoyed. No teachers were able to attend, which disappointed the mothers.

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The big, handsome man with the Jeff Chandler cast of gray in his famous head of wavy hair has etched his name into Lowell's business life with a friendliness of manner, and speech that is familiar to the thousands of people who patronize his "Friendly Jack's Warehouse" (1280) Lawrence St. located in a good Duke Snider blow away from home plate on the Little League diamond at Shedd Park, Lowell.

Of course, we're talking about Jack Cambria, the merchant with a magnificence in his manner of dispensing gasoline, oil and tires, not to mention paint, seat covers and sundry other essentials. He is known only as "Friendly Jack" to countless car owners from Lowell to Caribou, Me., few being able to tell you his last name.

But that's the way Jack wants it, because it proves that his formula of friendliness in business has paid big dividends since way back in 1929 when, as a young man of 19 fresh from his business text books at Mechanics Institute, he passed up a lucrative shot at the real estate business as a protégé of his father to "go it on his own" in the business of his own choosing. Call his sales formula a "good pitch" if you want, but Jack Cambria's "pitch" has been as effective in his business as was Johnny Podres' to the Brooklyn Dodgers in the final game of the World Series.

"Customers like friendly service when they come to your place of business to spend their money," says the breezy, sometimes bombastic man who appears in the familiar pose on the platform of his warehouse garbed in the latest cut of sports clothes his ample wardrobe being another tool of his highly successful trade.

"I like nice clothes, he says, "and it never hurts a man in my business to wear his best clothes to work. Who wants anyone in dirty overalls, and with greasy hands, taking your money for the big fat bargains I offer the people of Lowell every day in the week?"

Note the evidence of the "sales pitch" even when he's talking about his wardrobe which we understand, counts about 50 suits, as many pairs of shoes and perhaps three times that many sports shirts. Cambria didn't start out in business to help support his mother and eight sisters, like many of the familiar success stories go. He didn't have to. His father, Charles Cambria, was a highly successful realtor in Boston, but the son refused to "fall in" behind the father's shadow and merely go through the motions of making good. He had his own ideas and he "sold"

THE ONE AND ONLY "FRIENDLY JACK"



his father on the idea of backing him.

The sire consented to the loan when Jack convinced him that it would spare him the red tape of going to the bank and at the same time keep the "interest" payments at home instead of the bank's vaults.

As an upstart business tycoon at the "green and salad" age of 19, Jack Cambria cultivated the talent, which he still uses to great effect, for a steady line of friendly chatter that keeps his customers wreathed in appreciative smiles.

"I learned early to ring the cash register with a smile and a song," he mused, "and I noticed that the customers got a bang out of it. At first, because I was so young, they thought I was only working for somebody else. It took them some time to realize that I was the boss."

From Boston, Jack moved his business to Burlington and then in 1931 he established himself in Lowell. "I always liked Lowell," he declared. "I had met a Lowell girl, Mary George, and courted her. We were married when I established my business here."

The Cambrias have three children. Charles the oldest, recently got his honorable discharge from the army after service with the infantry. Rosemary is a senior in Lowell High School and Carol Ann, the "baby" of the family, is a student at Notre Dame Academy in Tyngsboro.

The use of baseball figures of speech to describe Jack Cambria's formula for success in the first part of this story was not without a purpose.

"Friendly Jack" was a four-sports man in Mechanic Arts High School in Boston. Besides baseball, he starred in basketball, football and hockey. He also was expert swimmer but

there just wasn't enough room in his schedule to permit him to participate in a fifth sport.

And talking about baseball, the name Cambria rings a familiar bell in the national pastime. Jack's uncle, Joseph (Foxy Joe) Cambria, fans the bushes, as the saying goes, as a top ranking scout for the Washington Senators.

Uncle Cambria has personally escorted to the major leagues such talent as answer to the names of Carlos Paula, crack outfielder for the Senators, Mickey Vernon, an American League batting champion; George Case, Ray Scarborough and Pitcher Alejandro Carrasquel, to name a few of the more prominent ones.

Jack's uncle also was one of the game's biggest independent minor league operators and at one time in his boy career guided the destinies of four minor league clubs, all in the Class-A bracket.

As a result of all this athletic background in the Cambria family, Jack is one of the most active sports boosters in the Lowell area. He backs his sports enthusiasm with deeds and not words alone, whether it be the Lowell Little League, Lowell High School, Chelmsford High, or Dracut, Tewksbury, Billerica or any other Lowell suburban town.

And now, as any story about "Friendly Jack" Cambria must inevitably do, we come to the big custom made Cadillac which you see the big (6ft., 220 pounds) driving through downtown Lowell when he manages to get himself away from his warehouse for brief spells.

"I call it my Hurricane Cad," he smiles, referring to the experience he had last year in the middle of Hurricane Carol. When Carol loosed her fury on Lowell, Jack had anticipated the big blow by phoning a local radio station and volunteering the use of his big "dream cad" to aid any person in distress as a result of the storm.

The radio announcer made this known over the airways and it was not long afterward that a phone call came into the station from the Lowell General Hospital.

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The Christ Of The Beatitudes



Rembrandt's Head of Christ, often called The Christ of the Beatitudes, will probably be studied by more people during the next two months than at any time since it was painted in the 17th century. It appears on the cover of The Upper Room, daily devotional guide with more than 3 million circulation. The painting is in the Metropolitan Museum in New York.

Dr. J. Manning Fotts, editor of The Upper Room points out that in this picture Rembrandt was seeking to show the compassionate Christ — friend of the lonely, the poor and the suffering. Rembrandt painted this picture after he had himself experienced great personal sorrow, lost his fortune and his popularity. Worshippers of wealth and power brush him aside but the poor and suffering see compassion and love in his eyes.

sage said. The radio announcer called Friendly Jack's Warehouse and Jack answered the call.

"I'll be right there," said the big man, and right there at the hospital he was, with the rain now coming down in torrents and the wind blowing at full force.

The eight pretty nurses greeted the big man and the big car with consternation on their faces. They couldn't believe their eyes.

"At your service," the big man said, with a flourish, and the Florence Nightingales entered the vehicle.

For the next hour or more Jack delivered the nurses to their homes, one by one, in scattered parts of the city. Then he returned to his warehouse in Wigginville, locked the doors for the day and dragged himself, his clothes drenched and soggy from exposure to the storm, over to his house near his place of business.

He went to bed running a fever that would have sent less

sturdy men to a hospital. But next day, Jack was back on the platform carrying on his duties as the mayor of Wigginville. What a guy!

29 YEARS OF SEARCHING

Governor Brunsdale of North Dakota has something important to say about oil and oilmen in relation to his state.

For almost 30 years, the governor observes, he had heard about oil in North Dakota — "the only trouble was that nobody had been able to find it." Many leases were arranged and wells drilled. But each attempt failed, with nothing to show except a series of costly and useless dry holes in the ground.

Then, the oilmen's persistence finally paid off in the spring of 1951. A successful well was brought in, and North Dakota became the 27th oil-producing state.

It might be assumed that since then the oilmen have enjoyed a golden stream of profits. But hear what the governor has to say in this connection: "Strangely enough, oilmen have benefited least from North Dakota's oil. That's because, out of the 285 'wildcat' wells drilled in unproven areas, only 22 were oil producers — the other 273 were 'dry holes.' To date, oil companies have invested over \$200,000,000 in our state. I know that it will be a very long time before they realize a profit on that huge investment."

Why do the oil people accept the tough odds inherent in their business? Governor Brunsdale also answered that question: "Because they know that, under America's competitive system, profits can be made if a reasonable amount of success is attained."

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PROMINENT SHOE COUNSELLOR ANSWERS TIMELY QUESTIONS

Here are a few timely questions asked of Mr. J. Arthur Poltras, prominent Merrimack Valley Shoe Counsellor. Mr. Poltras maintains that there is nothing more important to your child's happiness and well-being than a pair of good feet. He is born with healthy feet; it's his parents' job and your Doctor's and shoe counsellor's to keep them that way with the proper and properly fitted shoes. The question and answer article which will follow will help you do so.

What are the best shoes for normal everyday wear?

Most foot specialists recommend shoes with supple soles that give easily with the natural locomotion of the feet, flexible leather uppers that keep the toes free from cramping and a firm counter

to keep the heel from slipping. Plain oxfords or other laced-type shoes, foot-form in shape, are ideal for boys and little girls.

What about going barefoot?
A team of American foot specialists, who examined 5,127 barefoot children and adults of the Far East, discovered that nearly all of them had healthy feet. Their conclusion: "Restrictive footwear, especially ill-fitting shoes, causes most of the ailments of the human foot." By all means let your child run barefoot in summertime on a beach or well-kept lawn — its probably the best way of putting new life into his step.

Does hosiery play a role in your child's foot health?

Yes. Fit is almost as important as in shoes. Socks or stockings can cramp the toes

if they're too short, and will bunch up at the toe and perhaps cause blisters if they are too long. As with shoes, hosiery should extend three-quarters of an inch beyond the big toe.

Is there a right way of walking?

Yes. When your child walks, his feet should point straight ahead, or only very slightly outward. His heel should strike the ground first, then roll forward until the toes grip and bend; the push-off for the next step comes from the great toe.

How often will your child need a pair of new shoes?

More often than you think. A baby will outgrow his first pair in four to six weeks and he'll need still another pair about two months after that. A fast-sprouting youngster may need refitting every 2-6 months for 15 years or longer.

What is the greatest enemy of children's feet?

The outgrown pair of shoes. They inhibit the natural development of soft and delicate

bones. Too short shoes, narrow toe styles which cramp the whole forefoot are all fertile ground for bent, twisted and over-lapping toes. Shoes should be fitted to last at least 3 to 14 months.

How can you keep your child's toes growing straight and true?

Be certain that each pair of shoes gives him extra growing space at the tip of the shoe equal to the width of your thumb — and discard them before his toes have begun to crowd it. That way, his toes will have freedom to grip and bend easily, permitting the kind of youthful springy step that promotes good carriage and prevents fatigue. These precautions will save your child from protuberance on the great toe joint caused by the constant pushing of the big toe toward the lesser toes inside a tight shoe.

Can parents rely on their children to tell them when their shoes are too small?

No. The average youngster is able to coax his feet into shoes several times too small. The reason for this phenomenon is the suppleness and pliability of his bone structure which can be pushed painlessly out of shape to conform to his shoes. Though he feels little or no discomfort, even the slightest constriction inside the shoe will start the damaging process of bending bones.

Should you allow your child to wear hand-me-down shoes?

No. Hand-me-downs may force his malleable bones into the foot shape of the previous

wearer. They're just as harmful as outgrown footgear. A recent nation-wide school survey reported that 28 percent of children suffering from pedal aches and pains wore chiefly hand-me-down shoes.

Is a lively child's activity hard on his feet?

No. A normally energetic seven-to-ten-year-old will jump, scamper and slide about twelve miles a day — quite comfortably if he wears the proper shoes. Sturdy leather oxfords will provide strong arch support as well as puncture resistance to up-turned nails and sharp stones.

Should you allow your child to wear only soft-soled shoes that offer no built-in support?

No. The better made type of play shoe is fine for playground or gymnasium sessions but not for all-day pounding on concrete and macadam surfaces.

What is the most prevalent of children's foot ills?

Weakfoot — an enfeebled arch structure, usually accompanied by a tendency toward ankle pronation. It is easy enough to detect. The foot rolls in, with a sharp inward tilt of the heel and ankle bone and a bulge under the long arch.

What can be done about weakfoot?

The earlier it is recognized the better. Most cases of weakfoot can be helped by making sure that a child wears sturdy, correctly fitted shoes. Severe cases, however, should be examined by an orthopedist, podiatrist, or chiropractor. He may prescribe specially fitted shoes to help correct the inward tilt of the ankle. Regular foot exercises may also be recommended to rehabilitate the muscles that

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RECREATION NEWS

At a joint meeting of the
 Recreation Winter Carnival
 Committee and the Wil-
 mington Skating Club Com-
 mittee last Tuesday night
 plans were outlined for Wil-
 mington's second annual
 Winter Skating Carnival.
 President James Tight, Leo
 O'Connell, Sr., Dan McKaba
 and Director of Recreation
 Larry Cushing will head
 various committees for the
 event. The tentative date for
 the carnival will be Jan. 14
 and 15 and it will be held
 at the Wilmington Skating
 Club on Chestnut St. This
 affair will be open to Wil-
 mington residents only and it
 is hoped that the ages of
 contestants will range from
 two years to ninety years of
 age. Pee-Wee, midget, ju-
 venile, junior, senior and
 events for old-timers will be

held. In addition to this it is
 being planned to hold an
 event for women. The male
 adult event will be for per-
 sons having reached their
 35th birthday.

FIRE PREVENTION INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN

Students of the fifth grades
 in the Wildwood and Swain
 Schools were the recipients
 of fire prevention instruction
 given by Chief Arthur Bou-
 dreau and Lawrence H.
 Cushing this past week. The
 members of the newly formed
 Junior Fire Department
 were cautioned of the fire
 hazards prevalent during the
 gift wrappings, electrical
 wiring and tree conditions.
 Also included was the warn-
 ing of the dangers in light-
 ing fires while children are
 skating. Pamphlets in how
 to prevent fires were issued
 to all the students and will
 be followed up with a writ-
 ten test for a grading of the
 members. When a student
 has obtained enough signa-
 tures signifying corrections
 of hazards he has eliminated
 he will be eligible for the
 award of the Junior Fire
 Marshall badges. It is hoped
 that parents will coope-
 rate with these youngsters
 for if we are to form good
 habits and attitudes we
 must instruct our children
 at an early age. It seems to
 be too late when they be-
 come adults.



Dear Parents:

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 his first step. This is
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 in your calendar of life.
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 ting thousands of babies
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 ley has taught us that
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 portunity to counsel and
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ST. THOMAS NEWS

Saint Thomas of Villanova
 masses will be held at 7:00,
 8:15, 9:30, 10:30 and
 11:30 a.m. on Sunday, and
 7:00 and 7:30 a.m. on
 weekdays.

Fr. Croke, Fr. Regan and
 Fr. Kelley extend to all the
 parishioners their best wish-
 es for a holy and happy New
 Year.

Envelopes for new and
 old subscribers will be given
 out next Sunday.

Any new families not yet
 visited by the priests are
 asked to leave their names
 and addresses on the census
 cards found in the rear of
 the church.

All Christian Doctrine
 classes will be resumed this
 week, the Released-time
 daily at 11:30 a.m. and
 grades two through six on
 Saturday at 10:00 a.m. Re-
 leased-time students should
 bring their textbooks to the
 class each week, be faithful
 and prompt in their attend-
 ance and eager to absorb
 the principles of faith.

Gratitude is extended to
 all who contributed to the
 C.D.A. Christmas baskets;
 also to the men of the Holy
 Name Society and youth of
 the parish for the orderly
 way in which they conduct-
 ed their Christmas Vacation
 Dance this past week.

Wednesday the Father
 and Sons Sports Night com-
 mittee meets at 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, Confessions for
 First Friday will be heard
 at 7:30. Friday is the Feast
 of the Epiphany and First
 Friday, Masses at 6:00 and
 7:00 and 7:30 a.m. Sacred
 Heart Devotions and Sodal-
 ity at 7:45 p.m., make it a
 family hour. Saturday devo-
 tions in honor of Our Lady
 of Fatima at 7:45 p.m.

Next Sunday is the Feast
 of the Holy Family, family
 communions at all masses.
 The men are expected to
 lead the way.

On January 13 the C.D.A.
 will sponsor a whist party.
 The Father and Son Sports
 Night will be held. This af-
 fair is sponsored by the Holy

Name Society, and will fea-
 ture the presence of many
 athletes of present and past
 fame.

RAY DEWHURST WEDS WAKEFIELD RESIDENT

Raymond Dewhurst, well-
 known and much liked mem-
 ber of our local fire depart-
 ment was united in marri-
 age on Dec. 21, at 9:30
 p.m. by Mrs. Alice Pike at
 her home, 464 Main St.,
 Tewksbury. Mr. Dewhurst
 took as his bride, Miss Kath-
 leen Diggon of Boston, form-
 erly of Wakefield.

The bride looked lovely in
 a brown suit, with winter
 white fur trim and matching
 winter-white accessories. She
 carried a bouquet of pink
 and white sweetpeas. Mrs.
 Barbara Morman, close fri-
 end of the bride served as
 matron of honor, wearing a
 beige dress with black ac-
 cessories. Howard Morman,
 close friend of the groom
 served as best man.

Following the ceremony,

a reception was held at the
 home of friends in Stone-
 ham. After a brief wedding
 trip, the couple took up resi-
 dence at 1 Clyde Ave., Wil-
 mington.

FINANCE COMMISSION OF METHODIST CHURCH TO PREPARE 1956 BUDGET

The Commission of Fin-
 ance of the Wilmington
 Methodist Church will meet
 at the home of William
 Stickney, Friday, Jan. 6, at
 8 p.m. to prepare a 1956
 budget which will be pre-
 sented at an official board
 meeting on Monday evening,
 Jan. 9 at 8 p.m.

The results of the pledg-
 ing by the members and
 friends of the church is
 nearly 25% higher than that
 of last year, and will en-
 able the church to under-
 take a good portion of its
 projected program for the
 year 1956.

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But can you be sure that your child is safe? A recent discovery of active tuberculosis in a six-year-old girl led to the disclosure of three other infected first-graders. Investigation showed that

their apparently healthy young teacher had the disease.

Children do get tuberculosis. The incidence is lower than in adults partly because their opportunities for contact with an active case of the disease are fewer. During the years when a child's world includes little more than home and school, the chances of his catching tuberculosis can be minimized. The infection is most likely to reach him from adults with active TB. And these will most likely be in a limited group including the adults in his own family and his school teachers.

Responsible parents will make sure, of course, that there is no chance that a child is exposed to tuberculosis in the home. With the modern chest X-ray there is no excuse for doubt on this score.

But what about the school? Responsible parents should know for sure what measures are taken to protect the health of their children in the classroom. Does your school system require an annual physical examination and a chest X-ray of all its teachers? If there is such a regulation, is it rigidly enforced? Teamwork by parent organizations, doctors,

educators, the health department, and tuberculosis association can prevent the needless tragedy of the child who catches tuberculosis in the classroom.

BOSTON-BORN VICKI CUMMINGS CO-STARING WITH SAM "GUYS AND DOLLS" LEVENE IN "THE HOT CORNER" OPENING WILBUR MONDAY JAN. 9

Boston-Born Vicki Cummings, one of the theatre's ablest and busiest comedienne will be co-starred with Sam Levene, the unforgettable Nathan Detroit of "Guys and Dolls" fame, in the new comedy, "The Hot Corner", which opens a two-week pre-Broadway engagement at the Wilbur Theatre on Monday evening, Jan. 9. Directed by Levene, and presented by Eleanor Saldenberg, "The Hot Corner" features Don Murray, who won Kudos for his performances in "The Rose Tattoo" and "The Skin of our Teeth". Daryl Grimes, making her legitimate debut, Bert Thorne, who has appeared in 22 Broadway productions, Horace Cooper, featured in "Where's Charley?" with Ray Bolger, and Paul McVey, veteran of 200 motion pictures.

Set in a small town in New York State, "The Hot Corner" was written by Allen Boretz, who co-authored one of Broadway's all-time smash hits, "Room Service", in collaboration with Ruby Sully, who wrote many of Edgar Bergen's fun-

nies lines and just recently sold an original story to Hollywood, called "Three on a Mink".

"The Hot Corner" finds Miss Cummings playing the wife of Sam Levene; the couple are celebrating their twentieth anniversary amid a host of trials and tribulations. Miss Cummings is remembered for her roles in such plays as John van Druten's "The Voice of the Turtle" and Sidney Kingsley's "Lunatics and Lovers". Levene, who is marking his twenty-fifth year in the theatre, has had such long runs to his credit as "Guys and Dolls", "Three Men on a Horse", "Room Service", "Margin for Error" and "Dinner at Eight".

Scenery and lighting are by Ralph Alswang with costumes by Virginia Volland

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Middlesex, ss.

PROBATE COURT.

To all persons interested in the estate of Lillian F. Kinsman also known as Lilly Kinsman late of Wilmington in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court, praying that Arthur F. Kinsman of Melrose in said County, be appointed administrator of said estate, without giving a surety on his bond.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Cambridge before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the twentieth day of January 1956, the return day of this citation.

Witness, John C. Leggat, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-sixth day of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifty-five.

John J. Foley, Register. J-4-11-18



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At Long Last —

We're all moved in ... neighbors: Last week Mr. Sargent and his boys from the pumping station put the finishing touches in the Drive-In when they put in our new water line. Then, before you could say, "Jack Robinson," Mr. Pickering sent in two waves of his expert pipe welders and they proceeded to connect pipes to everything in sight. They moved around with such speed and determination it reminded us of the old Army saying: "If it moves ... shoot it ... if it doesn't move and isn't nailed down, nail it ... and if it doesn't move and is nailed down, paint it!" Well, Mr. Pickering's lads put us in business in jig time—including our refrigeration plant—which is water-cooled. So, the beer's "on ice" again, folks! Old Mother Nature did a bang up job, keeping it cool for a couple of weeks but she's off the payroll now! So, it looks like everything's in apple-pie order and that reminds us to say "Thanks again, folks, for putting up with us while we set up shop at the Drive-In."

Gee, but it's great to be able to relax once again, and sit down like this and yak with all you nice folks—it's so homey-like! Seems like ages since we did any relaxing — what with moving up here in the midst of the holidays—and in the wee-small hours of the morning, to boot! But, everybody was so wonderful to us, it was well worth the extra effort. Don't know how we could have done it without Currier's Express. The way those two grand fellers, Guy and Ray York, ran their truck back and forth in the black of the night was really something to see — and not even one tiny bottle of beer was broken ... how about that?

We could go on and on telling you about all the other nice folks who did so much to keep things rolling, both for us and for you, while we "switched horses"—there was Bill and Joe and Fred and John and Bernie and Phil ... and so many, many others ... but we would soon run out of space, and we need some at the bottom of this column for our specials for this week. Let's just put it this way: "There are so many nice folks in this world, and, when you need help ... there they are!"

Again, wishing our many friends and neighbors in Wilmington, Bilerica and Tewksbury a very happy and prosperous New Year and many, many thanks for giving us such a magnificent welcome at the Drive-In.

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Personal From Tunny's

It was sort of nice to hear from Tunny's Warehouse furniture, personally, for the season's greetings. Those boys have a way of knowing that is the nice thing to do. They have a way of endearing themselves to the average small-town.

Seeing The Old Year Out

What did the general public do, to see the old year out? We sat in a chair in the living room, and watched those poor, lone, some people, in Times Square, cheering, yelling, kissing each other, and waving at the television cameras. Somehow, we get the idea that they are very lonely people: the people who would be more or less afraid to sit at home, with themselves, or do not see enough in each other, to have their New Year in a quieter spot. We could be wrong, as it seems, as all the tumult was going on, we heard one of ours murmur, "I'll be there next year!" Human nature could take a lot more understanding, and we are not the ones to go into it.

Talking to Mama Gagnon

She's just a modest little Frenchwoman: one sees her at an occasional whist party, for a pastime; but there are not many women who could stand up under the on-sweeping tide of human emotions that she has weathered. We chanced to ask about her son, Paul, who is home on leave, from the Air Force. Yes, she said; he is home for a while. Then, he takes off for Phoenix, Arizona. She then went on, with a little prodding, to say that her son, George, is out of the service, (Air Force) since November, and Arthur has been discharged from Uncle Sam's Navy within the last year. And Tony didn't get home at all. He was killed in Korea. And now, a fifth son, Albert, can't wait to see his 17th birthday. He is championing at the bit already to be in the service of his country. And this remarkable little woman sees

nothing spectacular in this. The fact that she has five sons, raised with the barest necessities of living, but who can pass the most rigid physicals we have to offer, and who can put themselves, without a backward look, or a remorseful moment, at the command of the people, so that they might go on, having the comforts that they have come to know, and expect, as their birthright. But they will know such comforts only so long as there are kids like the Gagnons. It brings home the fact that some of the world's greatest people are never heard from. Lucky Paper Boys

The two paper boys that leave their daily wares at the home of Mrs. Leonard Chisholm, were pleasantly surprised this year, at Christmas. They were each presented with a beautiful sweater, which proves the old belief that everyone loves a newsboy. D.A.V. Holds New Year Supper

The boys at the D.A.V. headquarters were hard at work, during the past week preparing their New Year's night supper. Mr. Metcalf, Al Lynch, Bill Smith, and the other men who were on the committee, smoothed out many rough spots, (such as our forgetting to mention it in last week's column) and the final event was something to be proud of. It seems as though that particular group of boys work together, for whatever they would accomplish. There was a potted beef supper, served at around 8:30, which was enjoyed by all who had the foresight to buy a ticket. Ed Toolan, a carline chef, prepared the meal, which was followed by the doings of the evening, which were the light, and frivolous welcoming of the New Year. We attended the event, and we are glad of it!

Mrs. Cassidy

We are sorry to hear that Mrs. Melvin Cassidy, of Burnap St., and Den Mother of Pack 58, Cub Scouts, has been laid up. We sincerely hope that she was up and about for the holidays. She has given much of her time to the Cubs, and both she and Mr. Cassidy have developed a remarkably large Pack of Cubs, from a very meager beginning. They have in the past year, visited many fine points of interest, throughout the city of Boston, and it would be a long time before the boys found anyone so solicitous for their every need, while in her care.

St. Dorothy's Whists

Beginning this coming Friday, and every Friday evening following, the committees will sponsor Whist Parties, at the Hall of St. Dorothy's in the Grove. These parties have been well attended in the past, and will be run under the same splendid supervision, as they have been to date. The price will be in the vicinity of 50 cents, and they expect to commence playing at 8:30. New Year's Report on Babies

It seems that nine pairs of twin girls were born over the New Year's week-end, throughout the country, but none in Wilmington. They are lucky little girls, as there are so many gifts in store for them, from differ-

ent baby goods manufacturers. There was one set of twin boys, born in Saugus. They, also will fare well, for their lucky birth date. On calling the different local hospitals, we don't seem to find one local baby, born on this New Year's Day.

WORLD VISION

INSTITUTE TO FEATURE "CRY THE BELOVED COUNTRY"

The Third Annual World Vision Institute to be sponsored by the Wilmington Area Council of Protestant Churches will begin at the Wilmington Congregational Church on Sunday, Jan. 8 at 6 p.m. Featuring the opening program will be the famous movie: "Cry The Beloved Country" based on the unique novel by Alan Paton of the same title. This is a vivid presentation of the problem which exists in the Union of So. Africa and has tremendous implications for the movement of the masses on that great continent.

The Rev. Donald Hickman, pastor of the So. Tewksbury Meth. Church will lead the period of worship and refreshments will be served following the movie by the members of the Adult Fellowship of the Wilmington Methodist Church.

The Rev. Richard E. Harding, chairman of the Wilmington Council, and the Rev. Stanley Cummings, pastor of the host church have announced that these meetings are open to the public, and a cordial invitation is extended to the people of Wilmington to share in the viewing of this movie and the three remaining meetings of the Institute.

"BEHIND THE SCENES IN AMERICAN BUSINESS"

by Reynolds Knight

New York, inflation is still with us. Anyone who has done any extensive Christmas shopping can agree with the Bureau of Employment Security that retail and service establishments are scraping the bottom of the labor barrel.

More serious than annoyance from the shortage of store help is the broadening shortage of labor for industry, which the Bureau also reports. Between November 1954 and November 1955 the number of areas in this country with substantial labor surpluses decreased to 15 from 44. Among places where nearly everybody got a job during the 12 months were Fall River and New Bedford in Massachusetts hard-hit textiles region.

Classic symptom of inflation, in its later stages, is a round of price-and-wage rises chasing one another. Metals, it was noted here last week, have begun to lead a higher-price movement, spurred by the proposal of a government panel for a \$250,000,000 increase in railroad pay, a matching life in wage rates may well result from the growing labor shortage.

Some observers say any price-and-wage spiral will be reversed soon by the refusal of consumers to increase their buying above the 1955 level in the coming year. That won't be pleasant either, in a Presidential year.

ATOMS MUST WAIT — Technological mastery by

today's scientists and engineers over things atomic and electronic have given currency to ideas once reserved for science fiction. For example, some popular forecasts put atomic heating plants in every home in the near future.

To get the matter back in perspective, Minneapolis-Honeywell — inventor of the home thermostat 70 years ago and ever since a major factor in home heating — went to the nation's leading heating equipment makers for their ideas.

Here's their consensus, as reported by K. L. Wilson of Honeywell to the forty-second annual convention of the National Warm Air Heating and Air Conditioning Association:

At least a decade will pass before either atomic or solar energy heats homes. Cost is the big obstacle. First step probably will be construction of neighborhood reactors, piping atomic energy to communities. Changes between now and 1965 are more likely to be in better control of dust and humidity, automatic regulation of heat light and sound, polaroid windows, new building materials and more gains in year-around air-conditioning.

THINGS TO COME — A book to answer all the new home owner's questions on equipment and maintenance is designed to be given as a premium by the builder.

Plastic protective goggles, weighing an ounce, are designed for workers who find the older metal and glass ones too heavy. Metal lunchboxes which fold to a thickness of half an inch when emptied are now available for schoolchildren and workers.

NEXT HIGH HURDLE — Now that piercing the sound barrier is routine procedure, engineers are getting in stride for the next major aeronautical hurdle. That's the thermal barrier. Aircraft moving at supersonic speeds create so much heat, both skin friction and the heat generated by the machinery, that planes and equipment find it hard to function.

One of the first reports of progress in this field is that tires have been developed to withstand these extreme temperatures. Goodrich engineers, who developed them, say these tires will function at 280 degrees Fahrenheit, hotter than anything now in the air, and about the temperature range to be expected when planes encounter the thermal barrier. The tires will land a plane at 170 miles an hour, and withstand loads of 19,000 pounds each.

There is still much more to be accomplished, but engineers are sure the heat barrier, like the sound barrier, can be overcome by continuing advances in aircraft design and engineering.

THOSE TAX CUTS — In the face of warnings from the White House and the Treasury that there will be no tax cuts until the budget is definitely in balance, Washington is happily cutting up those anticipated benefits.

Speaker Sam Rayburn wants to raise exemptions \$100 per taxpayer, concentrating benefits in the low brackets. A Stock Exchange

member has proposed reducing the impost on capital gains. CIO economists have told the Joint Congressional Economic Committee's subcommittee on taxes that the tax structure should be revised to spur consumption.

Suspicion grows in some quarters that some elder statesmen would like to see a tax cut bill passed and vetoed. That way the candidates could have their issue to run on ext fall, and the Treasury would cut the national debt with the excess receipts.

BITS O' BUSINESS

Production of passenger car tires in October was 8,159,959, up from 7,882,305 in September. Department store sales in New York, for the four weeks ended Dec. 10, were 3 per cent below 1954 levels. Business failures rose to 217 in the week ending Dec. 8, from 209 the week before.

Are Americans spending too much? That may be a debatable subject. But one thing is sure. They're saving — through purchase of United States Savings Bonds. More than at any time since 1945.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Startling reports on the role of radioactivity in the food industry, including agriculture and medicine, were disclosed recently after a three-day symposium on the subject under the sponsorship of Tracerlab, Inc., Boston, one of New England's largest commercial processors of radioactive isotopes. 250 food industry and research workers from 28 states, Canada, South Africa, Cuba and China, learned that in the future, we may be able to preserve foods for long periods of time without refrigeration. Meats, vegetables and fruits may be pasteurized or sterilized by radioactive material. Then these foods can be kept on the kitchen shelf in plastic wrappers for months and still retain their original flavor and freshness until the lady of the house decides to serve them on her family table. Even life-giving medi-

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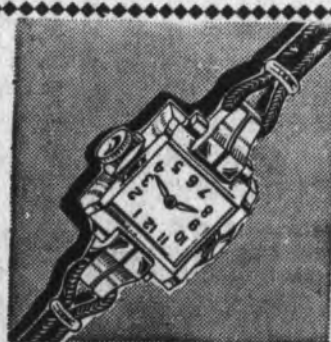
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DR. S. G. HAJJAR MERRIMACK VALLEY CHAIRMAN OF JESUIT SHADOWBROOK FUND \$3,000,000 Appeal First In History of N.E. Province of Society of Jesus

Dr. S. G. Hajjar, North Billerica, has been named Merrimack valley area chairman of the Jesuit Shadowbrook Fund, it was announced by Joseph E. Sullivan of Lowell, national chairman of the campaign.

The \$3 million appeal, first in the history of the New England province of the Society of Jesus to the public, is being made to replace the inadequate novitiate at Lenox, which is the primary training center for Jesuits service in New England.

Background

Dr. Hajjar was educated in the Lawrence public schools, was graduated from Boston College in 1931, obtained his M.D. from St. Louis University School of Medicine in 1935, did post graduate work at Harvard medical school and interned in Lowell at St.

John's hospital in 1936. A member of the staffs of St. John's and St. Joseph's hospitals in Lowell, Dr. Hajjar was a captain in the Medical Corps in the U. S. Army (combat service) from 1941 to 1945 and was awarded the Legion of Merit in 1943.

Dr. Hajjar is a member of the Lowell Medical club the Massachusetts Medical society, the A.M.A., the Rotary club of Lowell, the Yorick club of Lowell, the Knights of Columbus of Lowell and Billerica and the Vesper Country club in Lowell. Dr. Hajjar is past president of the Lowell Rotary club, secretary of St. John's hospital staff and chairman of public relations for the Middlesex North Medical society.

He is married to the former Elizabeth Jane Morris of Lo-

well. They have five children.

Planning Session

The first planning meeting of the Merrimack Valley area committee was held at Campion Hall, North Andover, Dec. 2, with another meeting tonight.

Working for the success of the campaign are leading Catholic laymen, Jesuit and diocesan clergy.

In this young campaign high tributes for the zeal and strenuous work of the Jesuits in New England have come from the bishops of six states including Archbishop Cushing of Boston; Most Rev. Jeremiah F. Minihan and Most Rev. Eric F. MacKenzie, auxiliary bishops of the Boston archdiocese.

Although the Jesuits have

residence does not meet the basic requirements for the contemplative life required in the most formative years of a Jesuit.

Friends of the Doctor and of the Jesuits who wish to aid the fund can leave contributions at his office at Talbot Ave., North Billerica. Pledges will also be appreciated as they may be spread over a three year period.

JACK HUGHES RECEIVES LETTER FROM WASHINGTON

The following letter was sent to Jack Hughes, proprietor of Hughes Lumber Co., North Billerica for the part he has taken in the Treasury's appeal for people to buy more Savings Bonds. Jack's public spirit is well known throughout the Merrimack Valley.

The letter follows:

December 23, 1955

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Dear Mr. Hughes:

My attention has been called to the very fine advertisement in support of the Savings Bonds program which you ran in the December 8 issue of "The Billerica News." Please accept our sincere thanks for this advertisement and the others you have honored us with in the past.

The Administration's desire for a prudent management of the public debt is in a large measure linked with the success or failure of the Savings Bonds program.

This realization of the need for good fiscal house-keeping is perhaps the reason why newspapers generally, and so many fine public spirited American citizens like yourself, have responded so magnificently to the Treasury's appeal for help in the tremendous task of getting more people to buy more Savings Bonds and hold them for longer periods of time.

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Sincerely yours,
Earl O. Shreve
National Director



DR. S. G. HAJJAR

been in New England for more than 300 years, the New England province has had a "temporary" novitiate since 1923.

Over the years plans have been made and discarded to build the now proposed new Shadowbrook.

The plans were set aside to answer more immediate and urgent calls for funds to give Jesuit services in the fields of the missions, education, parish and other work.

Provincial of the New England province the Very Rev. William E. Fitzgerald, S.J., said the plans for the new novitiate now must move forward with urgency.

He said the former private

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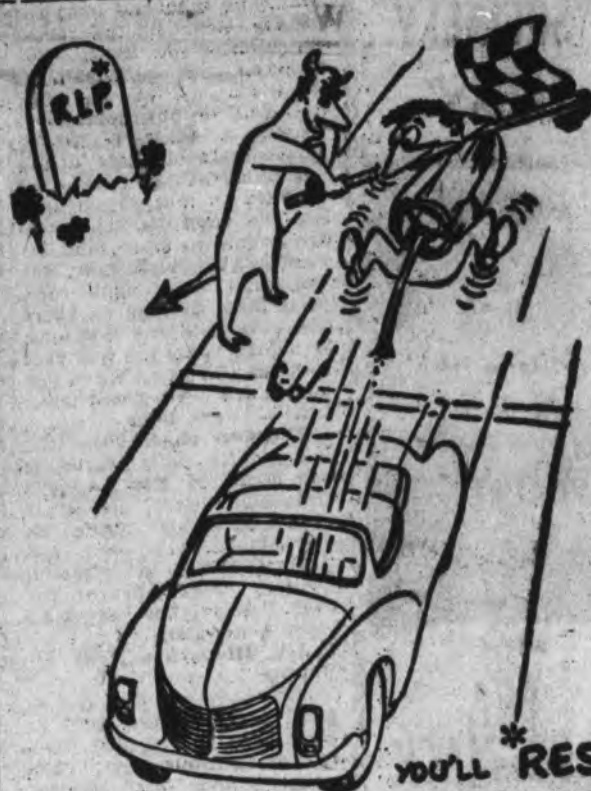
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By Chief Paul Lynch

The temptation is great on a smooth, clear highway to "open 'er up" and make a little time. Actually, a motorist can't make any time this way. Statisticians have definitely proved that short bursts of speed do nothing but burn up expensive gasoline and add wear and tear to your motor and tires. A steady pace is always the best system for reaching one's destination.

To make sure you reach your destination, observe the posted speed limits... on the highways and through the towns. It'll pay in the end to follow this practice.

Speed limits are posted for several reasons. One is for the protection and safety of others. Another is that tests have shown that certain speeds at certain places are the only safe speeds for that road. Anything in excess of the posted figure is against the law and makes you liable for court action in addition to violating safe driving rules.

MARLUX SKATING CLUB OPENS SUCCESSFULLY

Despite the freezing winds of old man winter, the newly formed Marlux Skating Club opened last night with scores of youngsters whirling across the smooth, newly coated ice at Juliette's Pond on Allen road. The club's organizer, Leonard Martin, said that he was pleased with the turnout at the formal opening party and hopes that many more will sign up as members.

Over \$1100. worth of equipment went into operation last night in preparation of the opening. Fresh ice was formed following the suggestions of Town Engineer Vernon Packard, and a beautiful, smooth ice resulted.

Membership in the club is still open, Mr. Martin said, and those interested can drop into his home or write for application. Mr. Martin reminded interested parties that the organization has a warm clubhouse available for skaters, and supervision of the smaller youngsters so that they will be kept away from hockey games formed by the older children.

LONGER HOURS OF
DARKNESS MEANS
DANGER FOR CHILDREN,
AAA WARNS

Dark clothes camouflage and make walking at night doubly dangerous, Safety Director Richard W. Hoover of

Massachusetts Division, American Automobile Association, declared today in announcing that the new Triple-A School Safety Posters urge children to "Wear White After Dark."

The AAA's Massachusetts Division issues a new poster each month for display in elementary school classrooms in Greater Boston as its contribution to the cooperative school-motor club safety education program.

Hoover explained that in winter, days start getting short, even very young children are sometimes out on errands or returning home after dark. "It's especially important at these times for children to be dressed in white or light-colored clothing so that they can be seen by motorists should the children have to cross the street or wander into the roadway," he added.

"Many new articles of clothing are being offered made with 'reflectized' yarn," the Triple-A Safety Director noted. "These clothes appear to light up when they are caught in the glare of on-coming headlights and in many instances they offer even greater protection than white clothing."

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George also needs canes, magazines and he is also missing a pair of extension crutches which he needs. The person who has them would do a service by returning them to the Main St. restaurant.

NEWS ABOUT WOOD

If you are shopping for a house or intend to build, better get acquainted with its U-value - if you value summer coolness and winter warmth.

This tip is offered by the National Lumber Manufacturers Association because U-value tells the story of how the walls (or roof or floors) of a house perform in keeping heat out in summer and inside in winter. It's a term used by engineers to measure how much heat is transmitted through the total combination of materi-

als and air space that make up the shell of a house.

Look for a type of construction that has a low U-value, which means a low heat transmission rate, and you will be rewarded with greater comfort and economy, the lumber association advises. A low U-value provides savings on heating bills in winter, a cooler house in summer, and lower operating costs if you have air conditioning.

U-values for conventional types of walls are listed by the American Society of Heating and Ventilating Engineers Guide as follows:

Frame wall, wood siding, wood sheathing, lath, plaster, 3 5/8" insulation - .07

Frame wall, wood siding, wood sheathing, lath, plaster - .26

Frame wall, brick facing, wood sheathing, lath, plaster - .28

8" brick, lath, plaster, furred - .32

8" concrete, lath, plaster, furred - .39

8" concrete block, 4" cut stone, plaster - .44

8" brick, no interior finish - .50

8" limestone or sandstone plaster - .64

Comparing typical frame and typical masonry construction from this list, the NLMA points out that the solid brick wall, two courses wide, which has been furred, lathed and plastered, has a U-value of .32. This means that it transmits four and a half times as much heat as the insulated wood wall, which has a U-value of .07. And it transmits 23 per cent more heat than the uninsulated wood wall, which has a U-value of .26.

One reason for the better performance of the wood wall is that the wood itself is a good insulating material, the NLMA said. One inch of wood is equal to six inches of brick, or 15 inches of sandstone or concrete in insulating value, according to ASHVE figures. Another reason is that the two-by-four studding in a wood-frame wall provides three and five-eighths inches of dead air space which may be filled either partly or completely with bulk or blanket insulation. Even without this special insula-

tion, the dead air space is a valuable protection against summer heat transmission into the house or winter heat loss from the house. In contrast, thin furring strips normally provide the only space for insulation in solid masonry walls. This usually restricts the dead air space to less than one inch.

The wood-frame brick-veneer construction given in the table, with a U-value of .28, performs far better than solid brick, but it lets in four times as much heat as the insulated all-wood wall and eight per cent more than the uninsulated all-wood wall.

The wood-frame, wood-sided wall, insulated or uninsulated, also has a decided advantage over the other types of construction listed.

The lumbermen add that the extra thickness of masonry walls cut down on usable floor space inside the house. For a 28-by-40 foot house, the excess space taken up by a masonry wall nine and one-half inches thick, compared with a wood-frame wall six inches thick, amounts to 40 square feet - enough space for a bathroom, powder room, or several large closets.

If you are convinced by the values used by heating engineers that a wood house is your best bet for economical year-round comfort, then there's still one more hint the lumbermen offer for additional summer coolness. It's this:

Paint the house white, if you want the surface that stays coolest under the sun.

CONGRESSMAN ROGERS NOMINATES 10 TO AIR FORCE ACADEMY

Congressman Edith Nourse Rogers will nominate the ten men for the U.S. Air Force academy who received the highest ratings in the civil service competitive examination which was held on November 14.

They will take another competitive examination with the men nominated by the Massachusetts members of congress. Seven men from Massachusetts, highest in the final examination, will enter the academy in July 1956. Upon graduation from the academy in four years, the cadets will be commissioned second lieutenants in the regular U. S. Air Force.

The men to be nominated by Congressman Rogers are as follows:

Peter J. Froton, Jr., of Winchester; Sumner B. Rosenberg of Watertown; Walter E. Counihan of Tewksbury; George J. Sheehan of Lowell; Robert W. Barron, Jr., of Tewksbury; Albert J. Grimard of Lowell; Paul B. Jennings of Arlington; Richard A. Scribner of Arlington; Paul E. Parr of Arlington; and Henry J. Bishop of Chelmsford.

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Safety Tip: It's all very well to tell drivers to watch for pedestrians on dark streets, but remember, YOU are a pedestrian the moment you step from your car, says the Triple-A. Wear something white so drivers can see you; avoid alighting from your car on the street side; cross the streets at designated crossings, preferably where there are lights.

Safety Tip: Over-driving your headlights is a dangerous practice, warns the AAA. Your safety zone extends only as far as the distance within which you can stop. You MUST be able to stop within the beam of your headlights. Forty-five miles an hour is a safe top speed for most cars at night.

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THIRD DAUGHTER

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ramsdell of Glen Rd. became the parents of a third daughter, Jill Elaine, at the Winchester Hospital on Dec. 21. Grandparent honors are shared by Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Ramsdell of 531 West Street, Reading, and Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Newell of Bridgewater, Nova Scotia. Mr. and Mrs. Newell spent the Christmas vacation with their daughter and were on hand to welcome the new arrival. The Ramsdell's other daughters are Betsy Ann, and Bonnie Jean.

EASTERN MASS ASK INCREASE

The Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Company has filed new rate schedules with the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities calling for an increase in its fares made necessary in order to offset increasing costs of operation and decrease in passenger

revenues.

The new schedule provides for an increase from 15 cents to 20 cents in the basic cash fare, with five tokens for 90 cents, or at the rate of 18 cents each. Pupils' tickets will be increased 10 cents. In addition, some adjustments are proposed in the fares for ride tickets now selling at \$2.25 will cost \$2.35 for 20 rides under the proposed new schedules. It is estimated that the additional annual revenue produced by the new rates will amount to approximately \$962,000.

It was pointed out that increasing competition from private automobiles, taxicabs, and other factors caused a decrease of upwards of 8% in passenger revenue for the past year and is still continuing. During the period from 1950 to 1955 riding has decreased nearly 40%, while the registration of private automobiles has

increased 24.5%.

Since applying for its last fare increase in 1952, Mr. Edwin D. Crowley, vice president and treasurer of the company, stated that operating and maintenance costs have continued to mount despite constant efforts to reduce expenses without curtailing any essential services. Latest to affect the company's costs is the new wage scale awarded its 1300 employees, which became effective July 1, 1955, and which, when fully operative, will result in an additional operating cost of approximately \$275,000 on an annual basis.

FIRE PREVENTION SPEAKER ADDRESSES THE WILMINGTON LIONS CLUB

An interest in magic, continued since boyhood, and a firm belief in the importance of fire prevention are today combined by a 42 year old Swampscott, man to help battle the national death toll from fire. He is K. Thomas Call and his unique combination of ability and conviction is called "Play For Your Life," a stage presentation he produces for Liberty Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

Prior to his demonstrations he indicated that 12,000 persons are burned to death every year, that there are 34 fire deaths per hour that during every hour some one is being burned to death, that every year brings about one billion dollars in fire damages, that careless handling of matches is the number one fire hazard bringing about 116,000 fires and that one third of the fire deaths consists of children under 13 years of age.

The show, which has been televised in New York, Washington, Chicago, and Philadelphia, ran approximately 45 minutes and stressed the company's program of teaching all members of the family to play a series of games that would enable them to escape death or injury should fire break out in the home. An impor-

tant part of the show was a scale model house with which Mr. Call demonstrated how fire can trap and kill the unprepared person.

An accomplished magician, Mr. Call made liberal use of his knowledge of magic to help underline the show's main points. "It's amazing but gratifying," he says, "how a little magic at just the right time can make people remember an important life saving hint that might otherwise just go in one ear and out the other."

The speaker showed how the various types of toys, decorations, film, and plastic materials could bring about dangerous fires. He demonstrated how the improper disposal of rubbish in the cellar and closets and the improper use of fuses in the household could bring about alarming results. He indicated that many "Do It Yourself" suggestions have been the cause of fires. Fire warning devices were displayed by Mr. Call; the devices could be installed in any home.

He is a member of the Society of American Magicians and was general secretary of the 1952 Boston National Convention of Magicians. He has won two prize cups in magical competition, has made frequent guest appearances at magicians' gatherings under the billing of Tito the Magical Clown and was active in USO work during World War II. Since 1931, he has held a Methodist Preacher's license and is chaplain of the Swampscott Auxiliary Fire Dept.

Mr. Call was tendered a rising vote of thanks by the members of the Wilmington Lions Club and their guests upon the completion of his very fine program.

STOPPING DISTANCE

REGISTRAR KING SAYS: "Avoid sudden stops on wet slippery roads. Keep more distance between your car and the vehicle ahead. You need three times your normal stopping distance."

MINOR FIRES

The fire department was called out several times during the past week. On December 29 at 12:50 p.m. to extinguish a small brush fire on Shawsheen avenue, on December 29 at 3:10 p.m. for a small brush fire on Hillside Way; on December 31 at 2:45 p.m. for a small brush fire at Hathaway Acres; a small house fire occurred on January 1, at the home of Mr. Letteller of Dobson street, when the occupants were thawing out water pipes, no damage reported.

OPEN HOUSE CELEBRATION

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Marshall held open house in their new home on Sunday, much to the delight of their many friends. The Marshalls purchased their new home on Linda road some time ago, but have just recently been able to occupy it. Friends are wishing them all possible good luck.

LIGHTS

REGISTRAR KING SAYS: "Keep your headlights clean. Reduce speed after dark so you can stop within the distance your lights illuminate the road ahead."

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November sales were \$395 million, up 3 per cent from those of November 1954.

Sales exceeded redemptions, matured and unmatured, in the first eleven months of this year by \$675 million, compared with a sales excess of \$403 million for the same period last year. Total holdings of bonds of the two series amounted to \$39.9 billion at the end of November.

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